GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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WEAPONS TO CAPF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to provide latest equipments/ weapons to the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) deployed in naxal affected areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of funds likely to be provided to the States in the region for this purpose, State-wise; and

(d) the progress made in this regard, so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Latest equipments / weapons are provided to the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) deployed in LWE affected states on a continuous basis depending upon the existing requirements and ground realities. Latest weapons / equipments are provided to the CAPFs with a view to effectively fight the LWE problem. Some of these latest equipments / weapons provided to the CAPFs include AK-47 rifle, Under Barrel Grenade Launcher (UBGL), Multi Grenade Launcher (MGL), Glock Pistol, Light Weight Bullet Proof Jacket, Light Bullet Resistant Helmet etc.

(c) & (d): The Ministry of Home Affairs has been implementing a Scheme namely Modernization of Police Forces (MPF) with the objective of strengthening police infrastructure. Various items for strengthening police infrastructure including weapons / equipments are covered under the scheme. The Ministry of Home Affairs is extending financial assistance to the LWE affected states under this scheme. The state-wise details of funds allocated under the 'Non-Plan' component of the scheme, which also includes weapons and equipments, are annexed.